

**Government of the District of Columbia  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer**



**Natwar M. Gandhi**  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Vincent C. Gray  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Natwar M. Gandhi  
Chief Financial Officer

**DATE:** January 23, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement: "Practice of Occupational Therapy Amendment Act of 2009"

**REFERENCE:** Bill 18-32, As Introduced

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2009 through FY 2012 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

**Background**

The proposed legislation would amend the Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985<sup>1</sup> to:

- Amend the definition of "practice of occupational therapy;"
- Require the Board of Occupational Therapy to regulate the practice of dance therapists and recreation therapists; and
- Amend occupational therapy licensure requirements.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2009 through FY 2012 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. The Department of Health could absorb the implementation of the provisions of the proposed legislation with existing resources.

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<sup>1</sup> Effective March 25, 1986. D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01 *et seq.*